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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail.)

### THE RAILWAY STRIKE

#### FOREIGN AND COLONIAL PARCEL MAIL SUSPENDED.

London, Sept. 28.  
The Postmaster General notifies the public that Foreign and Colonial parcels cannot be accepted, nor those for inland, except those for local delivery. He urges the posting of urgent communications only.

#### SITUATION IMPROVING

An official message states:—The general situation is improving. Government measures are working satisfactorily. Food distribution is proceeding smoothly and offers of voluntary assistance are still pouring in. Mr. Thomas announces there is no development in the situation and there are no direct or indirect negotiations for settlement taking place.

**PUBLIC FEELING AGAINST UNFAIR, UNREASONABLE STRIKE.**

London, September 29.  
Public feeling against the strike is hardening hourly. The newspapers increasingly condemn what the Daily News calls an unfair, unreasonable strike regardless of the community. There is a growing determination that the men must return to work before a settlement can be entertained. Meanwhile the efficiency of the Government's food measures have made the deepest impression.

Hyde Park yesterday was a centre of attraction, presenting an extraordinary spectacle of a church parade held between rows of lorries and girdles of churns. The drive along the Serpentine has already been dubbed the "Milky Way."

In addition to milk received by motor a train, conveying 1,200 churns arrived at Waterloo in the evening from the West. Long distance charabancs are rapidly spreading crammed with business men and returning holiday makers.

Miss Hopwood Assistant Food Commissioner, has been appointed Food Distribution Officer for London.

#### A LIMITED TRAIN SERVICE.

London, Sept. 28.  
To-night's reports from London terminal show that an exceedingly limited number of trains ran to-day. The South Western and the Great Western Companies were more successful. The Railway Companies indicate the probability of extended services to-morrow, particularly the London and Brighton which has issued a time table of arrangements.

#### PREDICTED THAT MINERS WILL BE IDLE

London, Sept. 29.  
Mr. Smilie, speaking at Glasgow, said that he expected 90 per cent. of the miners will be idle in three days in consequence of the strike. He urged the miners to keep their heads and be passive resisters as far as possible.

#### MR. APPLETON'S OPINION.

London, Sept. 29.  
Mr. Appleton, Secretary of the General Federation of Trade Unions, interviewed, said:—In view of the fact that no issue was involved between the Railwaymen and the Government until the end of December, he believed that had the Railwaymen had balloted there would have been no strike. He opined that the effect of the strike on other trades will not be certain for some days.

#### GOVERNMENT MEASURES HAVE A STEADYING INFLUENCE.

London, Sept. 29.  
At mid-day on Monday the situation had not materially changed and with the Transport Workers and Busmen still working the element of surprise has not proved so successful as was anticipated. The rationing of food stuffs and petrol and other drastic Government measures had a steady influence and, to a superficial view, things have been going on in a limited way much as usual; but the future holds many uncertainties.

The Transport Workers and the Busmen are apparently eager to come out in sympathy with the Railwaymen and as far as London, with its nine millions of concentrated humanity, is concerned there is no doubt that the extension of the strike in that direction would to a great extent, paralyse the Metropolis. The Authorities, of course, are making every preparation; but there are obvious limits to its organising powers, without the aid of the Transport Men. But much will depend on the Government's power to maintain some sort of train service and the outlook in this respect seems to be improving.

#### MAKESHIFT SERVICES.

London, Sept. 29.  
Skeleton services run this morning on a number of suburban lines will be continued throughout the day. The boat train from Folkestone will run to time, while the Great Western has arranged for a number of trunk trains. A fairly representative service is being arranged in the provinces. Indications are gradually forthcoming that the rank and file of railway men are anything but unanimously keen on the strike. Some firemen, guards, and drivers on several railways are at work but their number is negligible.

#### THE FIUME IMBROGLIO.

#### A BALKAN WAR THREATENING.

PARIS, September 28.  
The Council apparently is changing its attitude towards Fiume consequent on the recent developments which are now regarded as threatening a Balkan War. The Council is clearly convinced that international action will be forced unless Italy controls the situation within the next few days.

#### BRITISH CLEARING HOUSE IN BERLIN.

#### STATEMENT UNAUTHORISED.

COLOGNE, September 29.  
A meeting of the British Chamber of Commerce unanimously passed a resolution declaring that the statements of Knott, cabled on the 22nd inst. were unauthorised and calling on Knott to resign and entirely dissociating the Chamber from Knott's action in proposing the establishment of a commercial clearing house in Berlin, under British control.

#### PRESIDENT WILSON'S BREAKDOWN.

#### ORDERED COMPLETE REST.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.  
President Wilson has been ordered complete rest. All engagements in the near future have been cancelled.

#### THE ITALIAN PEACE DELEGATION.

#### VOTE OF CONFIDENCE.

ROME, Sept. 29.  
After the statements of the ex-Premier, Signor Orlando, defending the action of the Italian Peace Delegation and Signor Nitti, who explained the attitude of the new Government, the Chamber passed a vote of confidence in the Government by 208 votes to 148, with ten abstentions. The Chamber also passed a resolution re-affirming the Italian character of Fiume. Official Socialists abstaining.

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## FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

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### DR. REINSCH'S NEW APPOINTMENT.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 29.  
Dr. Paul Reinsch, till recently American Ambassador at Peking, has been appointed Counsellor to the Chinese Government, with residence in America, at a salary of \$20,000 per annum. The engagement dates from October 1.

### HUNDREDS DYING DAILY OF CHOLERA.

Though no cholera is reported from the Peking-Mukden Railway, hundreds are dying daily behind the railway zone.

### THE NEW PREMIER.

Chin Yun-peng's Premiership is being hopefully viewed.

### CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

[Translated for the China Mail from the Wei Tse Yat Kuo.]

### ANOTHER WAY TO MAKE PEACE.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 29.  
Shum Chun Hsun, one of the Administrative Directors in Canton, has, in his private capacity, telegraphed to all important persons of the North and South suggesting that the making of peace between the Departments and Ministries of the two Governments be submitted to the public bodies.

### THE NORTH CHIEF DELEGATE.

It is reported that Hui Sai Ying, the Minister of Communication, will be appointed the chief delegate for the North in place of Wong Yip Tong, but both the palace and cabinet have denied this.

### A LOAN TO CHINA.

Mr. Li Shi Ho, the Acting Minister of Finance, has concluded a loan with certain foreign capitalists. An advance of \$5,000,000 will be paid over immediately.

### COMMANDER WU PU-FOO.

Commander Wu Pu-foo of the northern troops at Hunan, in a second telegram to the new Premier, still hopes that the Premier will appoint another person as the North chief delegate in place of Mr. Wong Yip Tong.

### DEATH OF BANK MANAGER.

Home papers record the death, on Aug. 6 at Ashley Park Hotel, Walton-on-Thames, of Mr. Caleb Lewis, formerly manager of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China; London, at the age of 76 years. At the time he gave up work Mr. Caleb Lewis was probably the oldest member of the staff, having joined the bank as far back as 1864. After serving in India for about five years, he left the bank for some time owing to bad health and rejoined the bank in which he was trained—the North and South Wales. He subsequently returned to the Chartered in 1874, and remained with the bank, having been engaged at the head office as sub-manager, and then manager. His retirement in October, 1909, was made the interesting occasion of a presentation to him of a marble and ornate clock with bronze figures (reproduced from the antique) and bronze side ornaments, a good lever watch and chain, as well as a silver loving-cup. The presentation was made to him by Mr. Thomas Fraser, who has himself since passed away, when a number of old friends and representatives of the Chartered Bank were present to render their last respects to one who was a staunch colleague and sincere friend. The funeral service took place at Brookwood. Mr. Lewis was unmarried.

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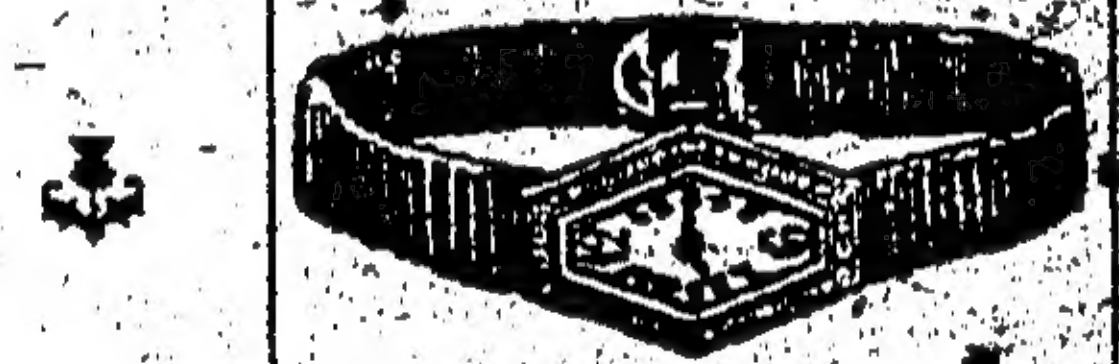
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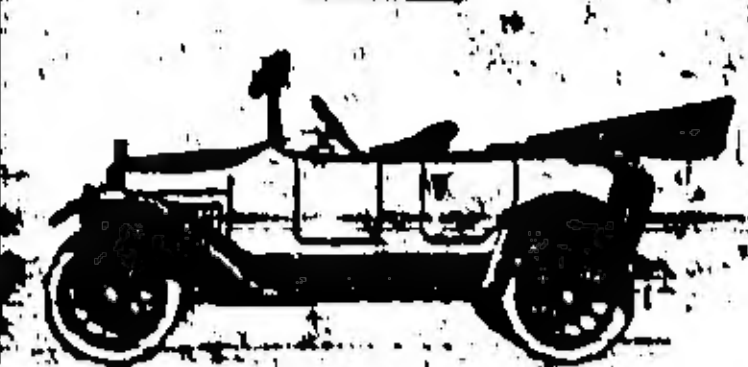
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OF PETERLOOWhen I was a boy I was very fond  
indeed of creeping into the landlady's  
cellar at night—especially of winter  
nights—to hear the men of the mor-  
tuary and sing and, by the way, swear  
about hard times. What a quaint, in-  
dependent set of industrials they were.  
But they talked and sung sometimes of  
love, or war, but mostly of hard  
social and political days. How they  
did anatomize the politicians of the  
hour, and, I am afraid, push  
revolutionary ideas into my young  
head. I was to carry on—so Joe  
Wright said—the spirit of political  
revolt when they were dead and their  
wooden looms were made into fire-  
wood by the factory workers. They  
were the Radicals of Lupton Yard,  
and when I read "The Revolution  
in Tinner's Lane" I thought if  
Rutherford had known them he  
might have handed them to posterity.It was there where I first heard of  
Peterloo. "Peterloo" was  
often the subject of Peterloo conver-  
sation and denunciation. There were  
four of them in the cellar, in addi-  
tion to an old woman who, sitting  
in the middle of the room, under  
a lantern, would come and tell  
stories for them on a wooden wheel  
and spindle. Joe Wright was the  
leader of the poverty-stricken group.  
My father was the owner of the  
looms, all bought for a few shillings,  
and rented to the other three weavers  
for a few pence a week. Joe was  
a great talker. Ned Greenhalgh,  
gentle Ned—a listener who  
seldom approved of Joe's political  
outbursts. Nathan Clegg, who  
occasionally varied his weaving by short  
term in the "Devil's" Jail at Lan-  
caster, helped Joe by swearing at  
capitalists and shopkeepers. Mary  
Miller, the bobbin-winder, sometimes  
shook with fits of the thought of  
what might be their plight if the  
police were to look in. Joe Wright  
and Ned Greenhalgh were the  
one of his looms with verses  
from Eliza Follen, Eliza and democ-  
ratic songs of Burns, out from news-  
papers. My father sometimes play-  
ed the fiddle to soothe their nerves,  
played old English airs and Jacobite  
songs.There was a stove in the cellar,  
which was lighted when they could  
afford to buy coal. I used to hear  
most about Peterloo when the looms  
were silent and the stove was burn-  
ing, and the weavers were hum-  
ming, and the bobbin-winders were  
"winding on" a new warp by  
candle-light. One of the threads  
two threads through the beads,  
the warp and the weft, and the loom  
was silent. Joe Wright usually sat  
on a stool under the warp, and  
having the least responsible task, he  
would talk the most.It was then that "Peterloo" rang  
most in my ears. Often I wonder-  
ed where Peterloo was till I learned  
it was at Manchester, a few miles  
away. Frequently I was puzzled to  
know why it was that they spoke so  
bitterly of it. Subsequently, I was  
informed that Joe Wright knew all  
about it, because he was there, in  
support of the People's Charter, as  
Joe described it. Joe was a slim,  
nervous man, with white hair and  
long beard, for a man of 77 years  
he was still sprightly physically and  
alert mentally.It was from these older-time  
weavers' lips I first heard the names  
of Sam Bamford and Henry Hunt.  
There was only one picture on the  
walls of our "front" room, other-  
wise known as the parlour. To us  
a house was divided into a "front"  
room and a "back" room, or kit-  
chen. At that time our "front"  
room was an odd-looking chamber.  
Owing to the height of one of the  
looms in the cellar it had been neces-  
sary to take up one or two flugs—it  
was a flugal door, usually wadded  
—in the parlour to make room for  
the top portion of the Jacquard  
machine. All that the room held  
was this portion of the loom, pro-  
truding about a yard above the sur-  
face, two spindle-back chairs, a  
small deal table, a winding-frame  
worked by my mother, and the ob-  
literated picture of Henry Hunt.  
The name was underneath—Henry  
Hunt, Esq. My mother knew no  
more of the August massacre of 1819  
than she had learned from the heat-  
ed language of Joe Wright, and  
it was she who told me that Henry  
Hunt was a man who had something  
to do with Peterloo.I remember saying to my father  
one morning when he was playing  
his well-worn fiddle (his war being  
"down") "What was this Peterloo  
about?" "Ax Joe," he said. "It  
were afore my time. Joe were  
there. Fro' what he says, it were a  
damnable thing—summat as workin'  
folk should never forget!"  
I was now particularly curious to  
know. And one day when Joe came  
from the cellar, into the kitchen to  
beg some tea to drink with a meal of  
bread and cheese I put the question  
—boy-like—bluntly to him. I have  
never forgotten some of his Don-  
ald phrases. He drew me between his  
knees, and said, partly with pride  
and partly with indignation: "Peter-  
loo, lad? I know. I were there as  
a young man. We were howdin' a  
meeting at Manchester—on Peter's  
Day—a meeting for sower reeds,  
for reeds o' men, for liberty to vote,  
and speak, and write, and be ear-  
nest, honest, hard-workin' folk. We  
wanted to live awa' our lives, an'  
be upper classes wouldn't let us.  
Thun' about it, lad? We were  
howdin' a meetin', a peaceful meet-  
in', an' they sent a' dragoon am-  
ing us to show us down. It dunt  
devils—they sent a' dragoon am-  
ing us to show us down."in' at us wi' their swords. There  
were some on us sheavin' 'Stop!  
Stop! What are ye doin' that for?  
We on'y want sower reeds. An' they  
were on cuttin' through us, an' made  
us fly, better-slower—aw because we  
were ony howdin' up to a banner o'  
liberty an' it reeds o' men. Bourne  
(Burns) says 'Liberty's a glorious  
faet. But th' upper classes  
wouldn't let us poor folk get a taste  
on it. When we cried for freedom  
o' action they gav' us t' point of a  
sword. Never forget, lad! Let it  
sink i' thi' blood. Stom up an' fight  
for t' reeds o' men—t' reeds o' poor  
folk!"Banner o' liberty, "t' reeds o'  
men," "t' dragoon sashin' am-  
ing us wi' their swords," were dimmed  
in my ears till I could not forget.  
I could not understand then why  
Joe was trembling with rage. I  
could not then understand why he,  
having lived for over fifty years after  
the event, should still permit it to  
disturb his mind. I suppose it had  
got in his blood, and he could not  
live it out. I presume also that con-  
tinuous years of poverty, together  
with years of political injustice and  
vagrancy, and dear food, through  
which he had lived, had helped to  
nurture his hatred, which he resolu-  
tely passed on to others.His political career began at  
Peterloo—a dramatic beginning, to  
be sure. It ended in a dumpy, dark  
handloom cellar, at the age of 81.  
I remember asking my father years  
after—when thinking of the sayings  
and the songs of Joe—how much  
would be the earnings of Joe as a  
ride. I was told not more than 10s.  
to 12s. per week—sometimes a few  
shillings more, sometimes "nowt at  
aw." Yet to the very end of his  
hard days Joe rarely omitted, as far  
as I can recollect, to talk and swear  
about the struggle that began at  
Peterloo, and which he tried  
through the mob skirmishes in con-  
nection with the agitation for the  
first Reform Act, the Chartist,  
and the Rag Dancers. He talked  
and talked of these affairs of men,  
and the opposition to them, as he  
sawing the shuttle across his loom,  
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JOHN MONTGOMERY BEATTIE.  
ANDREW BEATTIE.  
MATTHEW POOLE BEATTIE.  
Hongkong, September 24, 1919.

**NOTICE.**  
WE have acquired the business hitherto carried on by Messrs. W. R. LOXLEY & Co., at Hongkong, Canton and London and shall continue to trade under the same firm name and style.  
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JOHN ARTHUR RUSSELL.  
DONALD OSCAR RUSSELL.  
ROBERT OSCAR RUSSELL.  
Hongkong, September 24, 1919.

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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Society will be held in the CITY HALL, TO-DAY, 30th September, 1919, at 5.30 P.M. for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st August, of electing office-bearers for the ensuing year, etc.  
P. TOD,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, September 28, 1919.

THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO., (1918) LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to SHAREHOLDERS of the above named Company that the TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from TUESDAY the 30th September 1919, until TUESDAY the 30th September 1919, both days inclusive.

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General Managers.  
Hongkong, September 28, 1919.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Share Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 6th prox. both days inclusive.  
Warrants for the Interim Dividend can be had at the Office of the Company, 2 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on and after the 7th October, 1919.  
By Order of the Board,  
R. M. DYER, Esq.,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, September 22, 1919.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTYTHIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2 Lower Albert Road, Hongkong, on SATURDAY 11th day of October 1919, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 31st July 1919.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 1st to 11th October 1919, both days inclusive.  
By Order,  
M. MANUE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, September 22, 1919.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited, will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on the 10th day of October, 1919, at Noon, when the subjoined resolution, which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 24th day of September, 1919, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution.  
"That the New Articles already approved by this meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be and the same are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the Articles thereof."  
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**A SUSPECTED ENTERPRISE.**

It will be remembered that some weeks ago there were issued by some Japanese printers in Peking, scurrilous attacks on the British Minister on account of the Tibetan question. It has been a disputed point where these attacks were printed as there are several unauthorised establishments in the capital. It has recently transpired, for instance, that there is in the Wu-Lao-Hsing, south of the Soochow-shuting, a Japanese press which is producing without police authorisation, premises failing to disclose their nature by signboard as called for by law, a newspaper in Chinese purporting to be printed in Peking and called the "Chin-Ching Hsin-wen." The premises have been under observation by the police for some time, and lately owing to the non-payment of rent for several months, the police of the Second Division have transmitted to the Japanese Legation a request from the house-owner for the eviction of the tenants. The proprietors are said to be a Japanese who had gone to the Peace Conference in Europe.  
No action, says the "Peking and Tientsin Times," appears to have been taken by the Japanese Legation, and in view of the fact that a report has been made to the police that the manager is a British subject, official inquiries should be directed into an enterprise which is contrary to press-law and has a highly mysterious element about it.

**PROSPECTS OF SHIPPING.**

It will be remembered that Japanese shipping circles, which got into a panic after the proclamation of the armistice, soon revived when Europe's need for supplies of all sorts, especially foodstuffs, became evident. Charter rates rose to £25 per ton for a single European voyage and £22 for a round-the-world trip, which, though not so high as witnessed during war time, were record rates for peace. It goes without saying that this new favourable turn of the tide made the shipowners very firm in their attitude, some of them even demanding £28 for a European voyage. Things, however, have now taken a turn for the worse, causing considerable anxiety to the once optimistic shipowners. As has already several times been reported in these columns, what was the promulgation of the foodstuff control measures and with the wide outbreak of strikes in America and European countries, Japanese shipping circles are now getting pessimistic again. The charter market, for instance, is now very dull, and previous engagements of ships have been cancelled. It is not likely that there will be any satisfactory demand for cargo space forthcoming, judging by the prevailing circumstances. One of the things about which the shipowners are now most seriously concerned, is that during this and the next two months 71 ships totalling 490,000 tons, will be disengaged. The question is, how to employ this great number of steamers. So long as such gloomy prospects lie before the charter market, it will be impossible for charter rates to reach the exalted heights at which alone shipowners can now breathe freely. It is not impossible, indeed, that the present rates, which are still very remunerative, will come down to £15 or £14, though the Japanese foreign trade usually begins to become brisk in October. Below is shown a list of the steamers to be disengaged during September and October—  
Mei 11,648, Taisho Kaiun, Mitsui, Oct. 6.  
Yonan, 10,600 Taiyo Kaiun, Sept. Jufuku, 9,108 Kokusai K.K., Teikoku K.K., Sept. (middle).  
Portland, 9,108, Kawasaki, Masuda, Oct. 7.—Japan Chronicle.

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## The China Mail.

POST OFFICE, PUBLIC SERVICE.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, SEPT. 30, 1919.

## TO THE NEW ARRIVAL.

May it please Your Excellency, You have now seen our beautiful harbour and the more ornamental of our citizens and have endured the tussling and palaver incident to the beginning of a high office like yours. You have walked on our red carpet and under our triumphal arches, and possibly wondered at these. Sir, we have not welcomed all our Governors as we welcomed you this morning. On behalf of its numerous "constituents," who are by far the most intelligent members of your Excellency's new community, the *China Mail* cordially welcomes you to our city. You have had an extraordinary welcome because we learned that you were an extraordinary man, and these are extraordinary times. After you have had time to turn round and get your bearings unpacked and the bag of your baggage home and we do hope your Excellency finds it comfortable we expect quite a lot of work out of you. We are always crying for something or other here. Your Excellency and dreadfully unhappy will we get it, and of late we have been put off with "Wait till the new governor

comes." We've waited, and, Your Excellency, you're it. As the days go by, you will certainly find you are it, Sir.

We need not warn you against those who will try to "noble" you right away. Your experiences in Ceylon will have taught you how to spot that kind. In dealing with them a soft answer does not always turn away wrath, but that need not worry Your Excellency. Whenever Your Excellency happens to be in doubt for a moment as to whether one of them is or is not an axe-grinder, and you want to make sure, we suggest this infallible test. Ask him what he thinks of the *China Mail*. If the back of his neck turns red, and he splutters, he's one of them. They don't like us. They will not like Your Excellency either, if you maintain here the reputation you have earned elsewhere. But we can assure your Excellency, after 74 years of local experience, that such dislikes are not unwholesome. We are pretty fit, and trust your Excellency will keep so.

It is delightful weather just now, and you will be wanting to tour the Colony and see all your new domain. Sir, you'll find it delightful. Its prospects are as pleasing as any in Ceylon's, and its men are less vile, taking them all together. It would be a pity to bother you with local politics until you've had a good look round, so we refrain. We trust your Excellency will admire our self-restraint. Welcome, Sir, to our midst. May you stay be a long and happy one, full of honour for you and profit and advancement for us.

## "SUBVERSIVE ENDS."

Can we manage to think it over in cold blood, without passion, this assertion of the Premier that the Trade Unions have fallen into the hands of revolutionaries? To subvert means to overthrow, literally, to turn the bottom side up. In the case of the trouble at Home this would mean putting the proletariat into power, and throwing the present gang (the bourgeoisie) down.

England has already thrown down one lot of the aristocracy, to put the bourgeoisie in their place. That was just as subversive, and for the exalted position now held by Lloyd George he has to thank a previous subversive proceeding. Naturally, he is now determined to use the full power of the State, whatever that may be, to defeat another essay on similar lines. The full power of the State means the total available strength of the men in possession.

The unknown factor is the strength of the subverters. For this we must wait and see. If they succeed, we are here in an embarrassing position, some thing like loyalist Mexico when Porfirio

cal turned Republican. If subversion succeeds at Home, we shall have to be loyal; or, if we remain loyal, we shall be *de facto* disloyal.

The Vice of Bray was a philosopher, and a less contemptible character than has been lightly supposed. We must now contemplate the possibility that the subverters may succeed, and get on top. The original Trade Unions were intended to be collective bargaining with employers. It was inevitable, and was in fact foreseen, that once made legal, they would become political machinery, or political weapons.

It is idle to talk about their right to use their power in this way. As we saw in the late war, right disappears before combinations of power, and has to be established by greater power. Failing this, the values are changed, and what becomes right, and what was right is wrong.

A direct action, which now the winners will be right, and the present protesters will automatically be put in the wrong.

This was so clearly foreseen in 1825 that Parliament abolished an Act then barely a year old, an Act which legalized trade combinations to a certain extent, declaring it "dangerous to the tranquillity of the country." But the introduction of machinery, and the development of industry, was the patent of force that could not be restrained. "Restraint of trade" had to be eliminated as a count against Union judgments, and we entered upon a period in which Trade Unions were half in and half out of the law. "Breaches of contract" still hung over the strikers, though conspiracy did not. The "spirit of compromise," which we so admire as a racial trait, and which sometimes is a saving grace, failed in this matter as it was "bound" to fail. After years of squabbling, we reached the important Act of 1866, which changed the crime of "picketing" into a lawful act, providing it was peaceful. Wrong was made right by Act of Parliament, though to-day, now that they see the result of it, the constitutionalists and conservatives will declare that wrong never ceased to be wrong.

Mr. Lloyd George now talks of "subversive ends." He should have thought of these in 1906, when he was a party to the transaction which made it lawful. "Peacefully" to persuade any person to work or abstain from working. These "direct actionists" are still peaceful persuaders. They haven't smuggled in any guns, like Sir Edward Carson's crowd. They haven't had any drills. Under war-time powers, their peaceful persuasions are being hunted out as "Bolshevik propaganda," and the persuaders themselves (so fatally successful so far) are held up to the execration of the patriotic. This will be all right if the execrated fail. But if they don't?

We must be prepared for that. If we are to regard any duly passed Act of Parliament as a part of the constitution, then it seems to us foolish, or at least idle, to denounce "direct action" as unconstitutional, since the proletariat are merely using a weapon which they always possessed, and which was actually made lawful and constitutional after the famous Taff Vale case and the still more famous case of Osborne v. The Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants. The latter case led to agitation which clearly showed the tendency of Trade Unionism to become political. It is common knowledge that before the war it had ceased to confine its interest to matters of work and wages, and was preparing for a political movement that the war postponed. Land nationalization was the great cry just before the German volcano erupted.

It isn't only a few extremists, and Bolsheviki and cranks as Lloyd George now suggests. It is the proletariat almost as a whole, and one of the men who did most to bring the proletariat to its present political state of mind was Lloyd George. The agitator who inflames the rabble to fight his own ends (subversive or otherwise) will always find it harder to put out a fire than to light one.

Of course the point of all the foregoing remarks depends upon the attitude of Trade Unionists as a whole. If, as we suspect, the Triple Alliance is behind the present strike, then the possibilities outlined have to be faced, whether we like them or not. If this is "just one of the ordinary sectional strikes," it must fail as all such have always done, and it will fail the sooner because of the public resentment due to the public inconvenience and hardship caused. But if that is all it is, there is less need to worry, and such expressions as "grave situation" and the like are not called for. Temporary inconvenience is annoying and irritating, but so long as it does not involve "subversion" it is not a "grave" matter. London and its newspapers are too apt to consider themselves the whole country, either as to feelings or opinions, and rather reflect them. All depends on the mood of the proletariat of the whole country, and of that we are still in ignorance.

## DUMPING HEROES.

We are dismayed to read that the War Cabinet has under consideration a scheme by which it is proposed to

dump 36,000 British ex-soldiers and their dependants in Western Australia during the ensuing three years. We earnestly hope that somebody with influence who happens to know Western Australia, will dissuade them. According to the *Evening News* who flatly from the Hon. J. D. Connolly, Agent-General (or, Unscrupulous Booster) for W.A., 12,000 families are to be shipped there each year, the Home Government financing them. Western Australia will let each "man" have 160 acres at ten shillings per acre, payable with five per cent interest in thirty years. It would be cheap if it were cheaper. The Imperial Government is asked to guarantee each man £500. Connolly told the *Evening News* that Western Australia has a million square miles of rich agricultural country, with a bountiful rainfall, and a magnificent climate. Fortunately only 12,000 families will be victims. They will set up such a howl when they arrive and see for themselves that the other 24,000 families will be scared off. But even that need not be necessary if the War Cabinet will consult somebody who knows, and who isn't boosting W.A. for a salary.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Today's dollar is worth 4 2/3.

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Engineer Rear Admiral G. W. Roome, C.B.E., R.N., formerly of the Hongkong Naval Dockyard, has gone on retired pay.

It is officially announced that a branch of Lloyds Bank (France) and National Provincial Bank France were to be opened at 65-67, Neumarkt, Cologne, on September 1.

Communicable disease last week was 7 cases of cholera, 7 of enteric fever, and 20 of gastroenteritis. In the subsequent 48 hours we have had enteric 2 and gastroenteritis 1.

The President of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul begs to acknowledge, most thankfully, the receipt of \$60 toward the funds of the Society, from an anonymous donor.

The total output of the Kailash Mining Administration's mines for the week ending September 13 amounted to 65,118 tons and the sales during the period, to 78,252 tons.

The Hongkong Tramway's Company's traffic receipts for the week were \$14,253, or \$147 more than last year. The Aggregate Receipts for 39 weeks were \$573,318, or \$35,969 more than in the corresponding period of 1918.

Owing to strike of labourers at the docks in San Francisco, the sailing of the China Mail s.s. Co's liner, "Nankin," has been unavoidably postponed one week, and under these circumstances her arrival in Hongkong may be expected on or about October 31 instead of the 24th as scheduled.

Tronoh Mines, a London Company of which Straits mining concern there are many local shareholders, have capitalised \$40,000 of their reserves by giving shareholders one free share for every four held. This sent the London quotation down to £117.6 ex-rights, the price improving to £118.9 on August 21.

## "WAY DOWN IN TENNESSEE."

## HORRID PASSIONS.

According to a despatch from Knoxville, Tennessee (says a telegram to a Japanese paper), on the morning of August 30, a negro was arrested on a charge of murdering a white woman. On hearing the news, a mob of whites stormed the prison for the avowed purpose of lynching the prisoner. Being told by the prison authorities that the negro had been transferred to Chattanooga, some 200 miles down the river from the city of Knoxville, they did not believe it, a search was immediately begun. When they could not discover the man they took to destructive work. They damaged buildings and set the white prisoners free. Moreover, they helped themselves to many bottles of whisky stored in the prison, which had been confiscated by the authorities in connection with breaches of the anti-liquor laws. Under the influence of alcohol, the mob made a rush on the negroes' quarters, and commenced a hunt. This state of affairs resulted in the calling out of the troops, who brought machine-guns with them. Five rioters were killed and many others were wounded by these weapons. Lieutenant Paine, who was in command of the troops, was accidentally shot by a machine-gun fired by his men, and killed. Order in the city is now being maintained by 1,000 troops. Martial law is not yet proclaimed. Yesterday, a time-expired black soldier was lynched at Bogus, Louisiana.

## ARRIVAL OF NEW GOVERNOR.

## UNTIMELY SHOWERS.

## ADDRESS AND REPLY.

HIS EXCELLENCY PROMISES TO SEEK ADVICE.



Hongkong's new governor, Sir Reginald Edward Stubbs.

K.C.M.G. arrived this morning late on Blake Pier at 10 o'clock. Long before the appointed time the streets were lined with crowds of interested spectators, both Chinese and European, whilst English and Indian troops and a large number of Indian police lined the route that would be taken by H.E. The new Governor came from the P. & O. steamer "Khiva" accompanied by his A.D.C., Capt. Warren and also his Private Secretary Mr. McGrath. With him was the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G. Blake Pier was crowded to its utmost capacity. Awaiting the Governor were all the members of the Legislative Council, all the Consuls, many of whom were in uniform and helped to the making of a very pleasing picture. There were also present the heads of the various Government Departments, Capt. Basil Taylor, R.N. Lt. Col. Chapman, Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, Sir William Rees Davies, Mr. Justice Melbourne, Hon. Mr. N. J. Stubb, Khan Sahib Kishem Khan, Commander C.W. Beckwith, Commodore Gunner, Eng. Com. Cockrane, Lt. Com. Browne, Rev. Hastings, Commander Kilgour, Paymaster, Lt. Holborn, O.B.E. Eng. Com. Jenkins, H.A. Nisbet, Eng. Com. Sampson, Eng. Com. Vining, Dr. McKenney, Major Kirkpatrick, Col. Taylor, Col. Humphreys, Dr. Jordan, Dr. and W. Pearce, Rev. Bundle, C.F., Capt. Cohen and Mr. J. W. Franks.

The Guard of Honour at Blake Pier was supplied by the Hongkong Defence Corps under the command of Captain Stewart. With him was Lieut. Parker Rees. The Guard was lined up outside the pier but just before the arrival of the Governor it commenced to rain and so it was taken under shelter of the pier. The Police Reserve Band was also taken there. The rain coming just when it did somewhat spoiled what would otherwise have been a very pleasing sight, for the landing and introduction and inspection of the Guard of Honour, all taking place on the pier on account of the rain made it that many were unable to see.

As His Excellency stepped on the pier the National Anthem was played by the band, the Guard of Honour presenting arms. Following this the Guard was inspected by the Governor who was accompanied by H.E. Major-General Ventris, C.B. This over the members of the Legislative Council were all introduced to H.E. Sir Paul Chater had quite a chat with him. There were a number of Army and Navy officers present also. What was certainly a pleasing sight was the means of conveyance employed by the Governor. The motor car was dispensed with and the old sedan chair was used, this being borne by Government House coolies who in their red uniforms and mushroom shaped hats made a very good show.

From the pier H.E. went to the City Hall passing along Statue Square the ends of which were decorated with triumphal arches. These arches achieved the maximum of effect with a minimum of material, and were really quite good. They were put up under the personal supervision of Mr. Grimes of the P.W.D. The numbers of men lining the streets and providing the Guards of Honour were as follows:— Hongkong Police 160. Hongkong Defence Corps 103. 74th Punjab (on duty at the Council Chamber).

Royal Garrison Artillery 60. Royal Engineers 25. H.K.S.B. R.G.A. 100. 22nd Punjab 100. Manchester Regiment 50.

THE ADDRESS.

The following address was presented:

H.E. SIR REGINALD EDWARD STUBBS.

KNIGHT COMMANDER OF THE MOST DISTINGUISHED ORDER OF ST. MICHAEL AND ST. GEORGE.

Your Excellency,

We, the residents of the Colony of Hongkong, respectfully tender to you our loyal and sincere welcome, upon your arrival here to take up the high office of Governor and Commander-in-Chief, to which it has pleased His Most Gracious Majesty the King to appoint you.

You do not come to us wholly as a stranger, and, during the eight years which have elapsed since you were among us, your record in the service of the Crown has been such as to amply testify to the merit of your promotion to the distinguished position you are about to occupy—enhanced as such merit is by the fact that you have attained the dignity of your office at so early a period of your career as to quiver all precedent in the Annals of the Colony.

Your predecessor was informed, upon his arrival in 1912, that stirring events and momentous changes in the Far East had involved increased responsibilities and difficulty in the administration of the duties of His Majesty's Representative in this important outpost of the British Empire. What, then, shall be said of the position to-day?

The War has led to the unavoidable postponement of many vital questions; a Victorious Peace, however, now not only justifies our dealing with these questions, but lays upon us greater responsibilities than ever before.

In a Community so complex, a great diversity of views and interests must necessarily exist. We can, however, assure you that it is a Community loyal to the Empire, loyal to the Flag, and loyal to the Throne. The problems before you are indeed many and varied; their solution will not be easy; but, in grappling therewith, you may rest assured of the earnest support and co-operation of the whole Community; and we wholeheartedly believe in your ability and courage to successfully deal with the situation.

First and foremost among these problems is the Housing Question—one that is no less acute in this distant Colony than is the case in Great Britain. The dredging of the Harbour we believe to be of paramount importance, in order that this endowment of Nature upon which the very life of the port depends, may always keep pace with the times and the ever increasing draught of ocean going steamers.

Other questions which we desire to bring to your notice have reference to the following:—

1.—The need for increased Hospital Accommodation.

2.—The Food Supply of the Colony, especially in regard to Rice.

3.—Greater Educational Facilities, both European and Chinese, and it is hoped that the Government will assist more liberally with Grants in aid of Schools for Elementary Education, and that ways and means may be found for the establishment and due maintenance of Free Vernacular Schools for Chinese.

4.—The early abolition of all restrictions introduced owing to the exigencies of War—except in so far as they relate (subject to Imperial Decree) to the non-admission of Germans into our Colony—and, in particular, the Regulations regarding Import and Export Permits, which, it is widely felt, tend to cause great inconvenience to the General Public and inflict hardship on the Chinese.

5.—The need for an important high-powered Commercial Wireless Telegraph Station.

6.—The Colony's War Memorial.

7.—The facilities to be given for the encouragement of Aerial Transport, with all its great commercial possibilities.

8.—The early completion of the Praya East Reclamation.

9.—The resumption of the Military Establishments on Queen's Road.

10.—A thorough investigation into the present system of searching passengers and their baggage on their arrival in and departure from the Colony, with a view to the introduction of improved methods in that relation, and particularly the establishment of direct European surveillance, whereby the hardships at present endured in many instances may be removed.

11.—The increase of the Police Force, particularly of the European Contingent thereof, to such an extent as to render that Force efficient to cope with the needs of the Colony.

12.—The provision of Bandstands and of more Open Spaces which may sufficiently serve as Recreation Grounds for the residents of the Colony.

13.—The maintenance of a fully equipped Band and String Orchestra under European direction to provide a long-felt want.

14.—The encouragement of Agriculture by the improvement of existing Communications with the outlying Islands and New Territories.

15.—The greater encouragement of Private Enterprise in the outlying Districts of the Colony and the New Territories, more particularly with regard to the terms concerning the sale of Land, and the abolition of the hampering restrictions, resulting in vexatious delays in that connection.

Lastly, though it is not therefore to be regarded as the least important of our problems—we trust that you may be pleased to direct your attention to the present Constitution of the Colony and the system of Representation in its Councils—regarding which, Public Opinion is divided; but we are confident that under your guidance, a satisfactory solution of this as of other questions will result.

External to the Colony itself, but undoubtedly essential to its prosperity, is the linking-up of the Kowloon-Canton Railway with the Canton-Hankow Railway; and the due completion of the latter.

In your consideration of the foregoing and other necessary projects connected with the new era of progress, upon which we are confident the Colony is about to enter, we again assure your Excellency that you may always rely upon the hearty and loyal co-operation of the whole Community.

THE REPLY.

His Excellency made the following reply:—

Gentlemen, I thank you very cordially for the welcome which you have extended to me on behalf of the Colony of Hongkong, and for the kind terms in which it has been expressed.

My previous personal acquaintance with Hongkong, of which you remind me, was, unfortunately, of the shortest but, apart from that brief visit to Sir Frederick Lugard, I have in the past, been fairly familiar with the problems of the Colony. I served for thirteen years in that department of the Colonial Office which deals with the affairs of Hongkong, and I have had the pleasure of knowing and corresponding with every Governor and Colonial Secretary who has held office in the Colony during the last twenty years.

The conditions of my service for the last six years have made it impossible for me to keep in touch with the affairs of Hongkong, but I may say that I have done my best to revive my former knowledge and bring it up to date during my recent stay in England by a study of the files of the Colonial Office and by discussion with my old friend, Sir Henry May.

I trust, therefore, that a very short time will be sufficient to enable me to appear, and to feel, far less of a stranger than I do at present.

You have mentioned in your address a number of matters, many of them of the first importance. You will not, I am sure, expect or desire me to express any opinion upon them at the stage of some of them I may have formed tentative views which will require to be revised and supplemented by local knowledge and in the light of local advice before I communicate them to anybody.

For the present I will only say that I note with pleasure the interest displayed in the important subjects of Housing, Education, Agriculture and Communications, and that, not only these matters but all those to which you have referred will receive my most earnest attention as soon as I feel that my knowledge of local circumstances is sufficient to justify me in attaching any importance to the views and opinions which I am able to form.

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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

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## THE BALTIC PROVINCES.

## ALLIES REFUSE GERMANY'S PLEA OF IMPOTENCY.

PARIS, September 29. Marshal Foch, on behalf of the Allies, has presented a note to Germany declining to accept the Government's plea of impotency as a reason for the withdrawal of German troops from the Baltic Provinces and orders the Government to proceed to withdraw them immediately. Until this is done the Allies refuse to consider German proposals for raw materials and financial facilities.

## THE LUXEMBURG PLEBISCITE.

PARIS, September 29. The Luxembourg plebiscite decided in favour of customs union with France.

## MORE FRENCH TREASON TRIALS.

## NINE MEN AND THREE WOMEN.

PARIS, September 29. Another Treason court-martial begins on Monday. Nine men and three women are charged with aiding the publication of the notorious propagandist *Gazette des Ardennes* published by Germans and circulated broadcast throughout occupied regions in France and Belgium.

## ARRIVAL OF NEW GOVERNOR.

(Continued from Page 4.)

I note with pleasure your assurance of the continuance of the well-proved loyalty of the Colony to His Majesty's Throne and Empire, and I note also with pleasure and with gratitude your promise of support and co-operation in dealing with the many problems which must necessarily present themselves in the new conditions which have arisen as a result of the War.

I warn you that I am not one of those who regard such promises merely as polite expressions of goodwill to a new Governor.

In the Island in which I have served for the last six years I have been accustomed to ask and to receive help and advice from any section of the community whose knowledge of the matter in hand promised to be of use to the Colony, and I shall continue that practice and, in reliance upon your promise, seek co-operation in any quarter where it will be of service to the public interest.

I make no doubt that Hongkong, in common with the rest of the world, will be faced with many and difficult problems in the years which lie before us.

To find under the guidance of Providence and with the co-operation of the various sections of the community such solutions to those problems as may be most conducive to the welfare of Hongkong and of the Empire will be the great object which I shall place before myself during my administration.

## AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

A joint session of the Executive and Legislative Councils was then held in the Council Chamber.

There were present: H.E. Maj-Gen. Ventris, C.B., The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., The Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer, The Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr, Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Hon. Mr. Ho Fook, Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. N. J. Stabb, Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, Mr. Justice Melbourne, Mr. E. Suzuki (Consul-General for Japan), Mr. Molino (Consul for Panama), Mr. Rodriguez (Consul for Peru), Mr. J. F. E. da Silva (Consul for Mexico), Mr. G. E. Anderson (Consul for U.S.A.), Mr. E. G. Anderson (Consul for Peru), Mr. E. M. V. R. de Souza (Consul for Portugal), Mr. J. A. Gonzales Bernedo (Consul for Chili), Chev. Eies (Consul-General for Italy), Mrs. G. S. D. Hamel (Consul for Holland), and M. d'Oettingen (Consul for Russia). There were also present a large gathering of the general public including many ladies.

After Mr. Bullock had read the letters of patent appointing H.E. Sir Reginald Stubbs, K.C.M.G., to the Governorship of the Colony of Hongkong and its dependencies, the Chief Justice (Sir William Reeves Davies, K.C.) administered the oath of office.

After his Excellency had taken the oath and signed the declaration taking over the administration of the Government of the Colony, the Band of the Police Reserve played the National Anthem and a salute of 17 guns were fired by the Mountain Battery stationed on the Murray Parade Ground.

His Excellency then took his leave and left the Chamber accompanied by the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., Capt. Warner (A.D.C.) and Mr. McGrath (Private Secretary). The gathering then dispersed.

## A KOWLOON SENSATION.

## WIFE CHARGES HUSBAND WITH CRUELTY.

At the Magistrate's Court this morning before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, Mrs. Olga Maria Edwards of No. 34 Nathan Road, Kowloon, applied for an order that she should be no longer bound to cohabit with her husband, Sydney Edwards, for that he was guilty of persistent cruelty towards her.

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton of Messrs. Deacon Looker, Deacon and Harston appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. A. E. Hall of Messrs. Lo and Lo, represented defendant.

Mr. Shenton said the case came under Ordinance 10 of 1905, under section 4.

Mr. Hall said that he was not prepared to go on with the case as his client had received the summons only yesterday morning. He wished to have an adjournment.

Dr. Sanguin Strahan, was called, and examined by Mr. Shenton.

Mr. Shenton: "You reside at No. 36 Nathan Road Kowloon?"

Dr. Strahan: "Yes."

I think Mr. Edwards resides at No. 34 on the third floor?

Yes. I think on August 11 last you were awakened by your wife? What time was that?

Yes. I was awakened by my wife at 11.30 p.m.

And the cause was shrieking on the third floor of No. 34?

Yes. You got up and dressed and went over to No. 34?

Yes. On the way did you notice anything on the road?

I noticed some broken flower pots. Did they appear to have come from above?

Yes. When you got to the third floor what did you find?

I saw a Chinese constable standing in the passage way of the flat and then I saw Mrs. Edwards.

What was she doing?

She was in a state of great excitement and agitation.

She was crying I think?

Yes. Was Mr. Edwards there too?

Yes. What did Mrs. Edwards say to you?

She said her husband had tried to throw her from the verandah into the street.

What was the state of her husband?

He seemed to be very excited also. What did he say to you?

He said "she is a bad woman."

At that time did you notice any bruises on Mrs. Edwards?

No, not at that time. What happened then?

I asked Mrs. Edwards whether she would like to go back to her parents. I think you suggested it?

Yes. I think she said that it was no use?

Did Mr. Edwards make any statements after that?

I can't remember. What happened then?

I suggested to the policeman that he should either take Mr. Edwards to the station or look after him. Was he in a very excited state of mind?

Yes, he left the house and went down to the street.

I think you went down to your flat and telephoned to the Police?

## RISE OF PRICES IN SHANGHAI.

INCREASES OF 300 TO 700 PER CENT.

The N.C. Daily News says:

In spite of high exchange there is certainly little immediate prospect of any appreciable decrease in the price of goods imported from England for retail in the local stores. In almost every department supplies are difficult to obtain and the quality of deliveries generally shows deterioration from the pre-war standard. Home firms can only promise to send the best quality obtainable, and it is obvious that in manufacture and export they are being very badly hit by the present labour troubles and the shortage in raw material.

GLASSWARE AND CROCKERY WORST. When prices have advanced all round, those for glassware and crockery have made the biggest forward stride, being 700 per cent. above pre-war prices. Cheap, common plates which were formerly purchasable at 2/- per dozen are now 15/-, and the cost of better quality articles has proportionately risen.

Glassware prices have gone to an extraordinary height. An advance of 100 per cent. was recently made, and now one of the largest French firms announces a further increase of 25 per cent., together with cancellation of the usual 1 per cent. discount, the reason given being the adoption of the 8 hour day in France, with higher wages. As an example of the effect on the retail market a glass soap container, plain in design and full of flaws, which was formerly obtainable at 6d or 9d, has been increased to a local firm at £1 2s. 6d.

The shortage in the supply of glass bottles is chiefly responsible for the fact that no preserved fruits and jams, and only a limited quantity of Christmas trade, which will also be lacking in hams, butter, cheese, bacon and cold storage goods from England. The local Christmas market will, therefore, be principally supplied from America and Australia. It may be some consolation to ladies to know that the export of chocolates of high class quality is beginning again, and consignments are expected in November.

HATS UP 300 PER CENT. The cost of hats has gone up by 300 per cent. and supplies will be limited for some time. Woollen goods show a 400 per cent. increase on the old sterling prices, but linen and cotton goods are not so badly affected and supplies are good. Gloves are from 200 to 300 per cent. higher and home manufacturers are finding it difficult to fulfil orders. Tailoring material is about three times the normal price and good blue serge is practically unobtainable. Home supplies of boots and shoes are also very short. Dress shoes of moderate quality formerly costing 6/- are now 20/- and better quality 40/- American shoes which were obtainable at 15/- are now offered at £8 10s to 12/- and, of course, American prices all round have gone up in "sympathy" with those of other countries. The outlook is not too rosy for the consumer, though it cannot be long before increase in supplies will bring about a welcome fall in prices.

RAUB-AUSTRALIAN GOLD MINES. A farewell gathering took place at Bekit Komar, Raub, on the 17th inst. of the Chinese contractors and staff of the Raub Australian Gold Mines to bid farewell to Mr. W. H. Martin, the general manager, on the eve of his departure on his well earned retirement after seventeen years' service at the mine. Among those present were Messrs. Peimear, Scott, Orie and Mr. and Mrs. W. Shaffrey. Mr. Shaffrey made several short speeches to which Mr. Martin replied suitably, and Mr. Won Quee on behalf of the Chinese contractors made the presentation of an address on silk beautifully framed, for which Mr. Martin thanked them. The address, read by Mr. Khoo Boo Teong, stated that they could not allow the occasion to pass without assuring Mr. Martin that they were sensible of and thankful for the kind treatment which they had always received at his hands. Mr. W. H. Martin left Raub on September 18, for Kuala Lumpur and Singapore on route for home. Mrs. and Miss Martin accompany him.

TYPHOON WARNING. The telegram quoted below was received at the U.S. Consulate from the Manila Observatory at 2.30 p.m. September 30.

Typhoon or cyclone N. of Yap moving W.N.W.

From what you saw that night and on the 13th, do you say that Mrs. Edwards was badly handled?

Yes. Mr. Hall: With your Worship's permission, I should like to ask for an adjournment.

His Worship granted the application, and fixed Thursday at 2.15 p.m. for the further hearing.

## COMPANY MEETING.

## HONGKONG STEEL FOUNDRY CO., LIMITED.

The ninth ordinary general meeting of the above Company was held at the offices of the General Managers, No. 10, George Street, at 11.30 this morning.

Mr. A. G. Gordon was in the chair and there were also present Mr. A. Buttner (Acting General Manager), Messrs. C. D. Wilkinson, F. Macland, J. M. Gordon, Ed. Chapman, A. Keating, G. Barrett and Mr. W. Mark.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the report and accounts having been in your hands for some time, I will take the usual course and with your permission take them as read. The balance at credit of Profit and Loss, after allowing for the Interim Dividend of \$9,008.00, paid in December last including the balance of \$7,153.00 brought forward from last year is \$38,437.50. Your General Managers propose to deal with this amount as follows:

To pay a final Dividend of \$1.00 per share ..... \$ 9,008.00

To pay a Bonus of \$1.00 per share ..... 9,008.00

To place to Reserve Fund 15,000.00

To carry forward to credit of next year's income ..... 3,421.50

There is a slight alteration which we propose to make in the accounts, and that is to place to the credit of the Reserve Fund only \$10,000 instead of \$15,000 and write off \$5,000 from the Building account.

We hope you will meet with your approval.

THE PROSPECTS. Negotiations are in progress for the development of the Company's operations on a very large scale. At present I am not in a position to make any definite statement, but may say, that, during my visit to England and America, your interests have not been neglected.

With the Electric Furnaces for melting and smelting purposes which will be working shortly, there is no reason to doubt that the Company will be able to compete, both in quality and in price, for finished work, against home and foreign production. (Applause.)

MANAGEMENT. During the year under review an export manager (Mr. Buttner) has been engaged to take control of the Works, and supervise the erection of the New Electric Furnaces. Plant now on its way to Hongkong, and which we hope is only a forerunner of the great expansion mentioned elsewhere in the report.

WONDERFUL STEEL FROM CHINESE ORE. A few years ago a large quantity of Iron Ore, an unlimited quantity of which can be obtained by us, was taken from the Mines in Kwangsi and Kwangtung Provinces, and dispatched to America, but owing to the war, nothing could be done. Now the matter has been taken up in earnest, and the Ore treated scientifically.

Steel, constructed therefrom, which may be driven through a piece of wrought iron over an inch thick, that is hard enough to cut glass like a diamond, and yet is so flexible that it may be bent without breaking, is surely a wonderful creation. This steel has a wide temperature range, as it may be heated anywhere between 16.50 and 10.70 degrees Fahrenheit and yet give good results.

PERSONAL. In conclusion, I am sorry to feel I may not be here to see the consummation of my life's work ended. My medical advisers warn me that I must take, at no very distant date, a long needed rest. The pioneer work though I feel is almost completed, and when I go, I shall do so with full confidence that the present progress of the Company is well assured, in the hands of younger and more active men, with all the newest methods to help them out. (Hear, hear.)

I can think of nothing more that would be of interest to shareholders, but if there are any questions, I shall be pleased to answer them after the adoption of the report and accounts. Gentlemen, I beg to propose that the report and accounts as presented be passed and adopted. Will any shareholder second this?

In accordance with the resolution, Mr. F. Matland said: I have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts and in doing so to congratulate the management on the fine result. We are again receiving a handsome return in dividends and bonus together 30 per cent., and, besides, the Company's financial position is being strengthened by the substantial sum of \$15,000, or rather as altered by the Chairman, \$10,000 to reserve and \$5,000 off buildings, be placed to reserve. It is with much regret that we have just heard that our general manager, Mr. A. G. Gordon, will at no distant date, under medical advice, have to take a long needed rest, and it is my sincere wish that this company, brought to its present flourishing state by his long years of hard and untiring work, will continue a successful career and that Mr. Gordon will enjoy a well earned rest for many years to come. (Applause.)

Put to the meeting, the resolution was carried unanimously. Mr. C. Bernard Brown was unanimously re-elected auditor on the

## HONGKONG UNIT.

## DEMOLISHED.

FINAL PARADE OF THE DOCKYARD DEFENCE CORPS.

An interesting ceremony, and a sign of the times took place in the Naval Dockyard yesterday afternoon, when the Dockyard Defence Corps, a war time organisation, was demobilized.

The Dockyard Defence Corps, which was formed in 1917 as a Hongkong branch of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, owed its birth to Commander H.H. Gardeman, C.M.G., R.N., who was then in charge here. He was as keen on forming this emergency unit as Mrs. Sandeman was on war-work for the Red Cross and other war organisations having obtained the sanction of the Admiralty. Commander Sandeman formed the unit, the members being the civilian staff of the Naval Dockyard's New A.M. Anderson has been the Officer Commanding throughout the brief life of the Corps, with the rank of Lieutenant. R.N.V.R. The Corps drilled fairly regularly, did a number of route marches and was exercised in musketry at which it excelled.

The parade, formed up in the Dockyard under the command of Lieutenant A.L. Anderson, Ship Lieutenant G.L. Platt also being on parade. Commander Gardner inspected the men before proceeding to take his farewell of the Corps on its disbandment.

Addressing the parade Commander Gardner said to the Officers and men on parade that it was with mingled feelings of pleasure and regret that he came to bid them goodbye on their last parade as the Dockyard Defence Corps. He congratulated them all on their efficiency which was maintained despite the handicap of work and overtime.

Commander Gardner mentioned the only time the Corps was called out in an emergency, that was on the occasion of the Gresson Street affair early in 1918. He hoped that the necessity for a Defence Corps will not occur again for many years. He thanked them for their regular attendance at drills, and the instructors for their work.

In concluding the Commander wished all members of the Corps success in life, and good-bye, not as individuals, but as members of the Dockyard Defence Corps, Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

The parade then dispersed.

DECLINE IN FRENCH BIRTHS.

PLURALITY OF WIVES.

The vital question of the grave decline in the birth-rate in France is once more brought into prominence by the decision of both Chambers to modify the civil code with regard to marriage writes the Paris correspondent of the Daily Telegraph.

As I recently pointed out, this grave question, which is, of course, of paramount importance to the future prosperity of the country, is seldom discussed in the newspapers, but to-day several interesting references are made to it. As is well known according to the law as it has hitherto existed, difficulties quite unknown in England are presented to young people about to be married. In addition to much "red tape" on the part of the civil authorities the formal consent of the parents had to be produced, or if that was refused an application in legal form had to be made three times to them couched in "respectful terms" before this consent could be waived. The new law not only does away with many lengthy and trying preliminaries, but also abolishes the necessity of the parents' consent if the parties concerned are over the age of 30. The need of increasing the population needs to be impressed on the public mind, and in this connection it may be noted that, following the example some years ago of the late M. Lamy, Permanent Secretary of the Academie Francaise, Monsieur and Madame Francaise have given an annual sum of 2,250,000 to be distributed each year in the form of ninety donations of 25,000 each to poor families who have more than nine children, all of the same parents.

In this connection it is notable as an indication of reviving national interest that a congress to consider the question of the birth-rate is to be held at Nancy in September. A writer in an evening paper suggests plurality of wives as the only remedy. He points out that one and a half million young men have lost their lives in war and half a million more have been severely wounded or crippled, thus making two million women widows or condemning them to spinsterhood, and the women who have mates are not providing new citizens. He continues: "Ethical France will cease to exist for want of Frenchmen, because it will become a sort of extra-diminished Macedonia among the races. Are you prepared for that? If so, it seems hardly worth while to have gone through the war."

proposal of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Wilkinson.

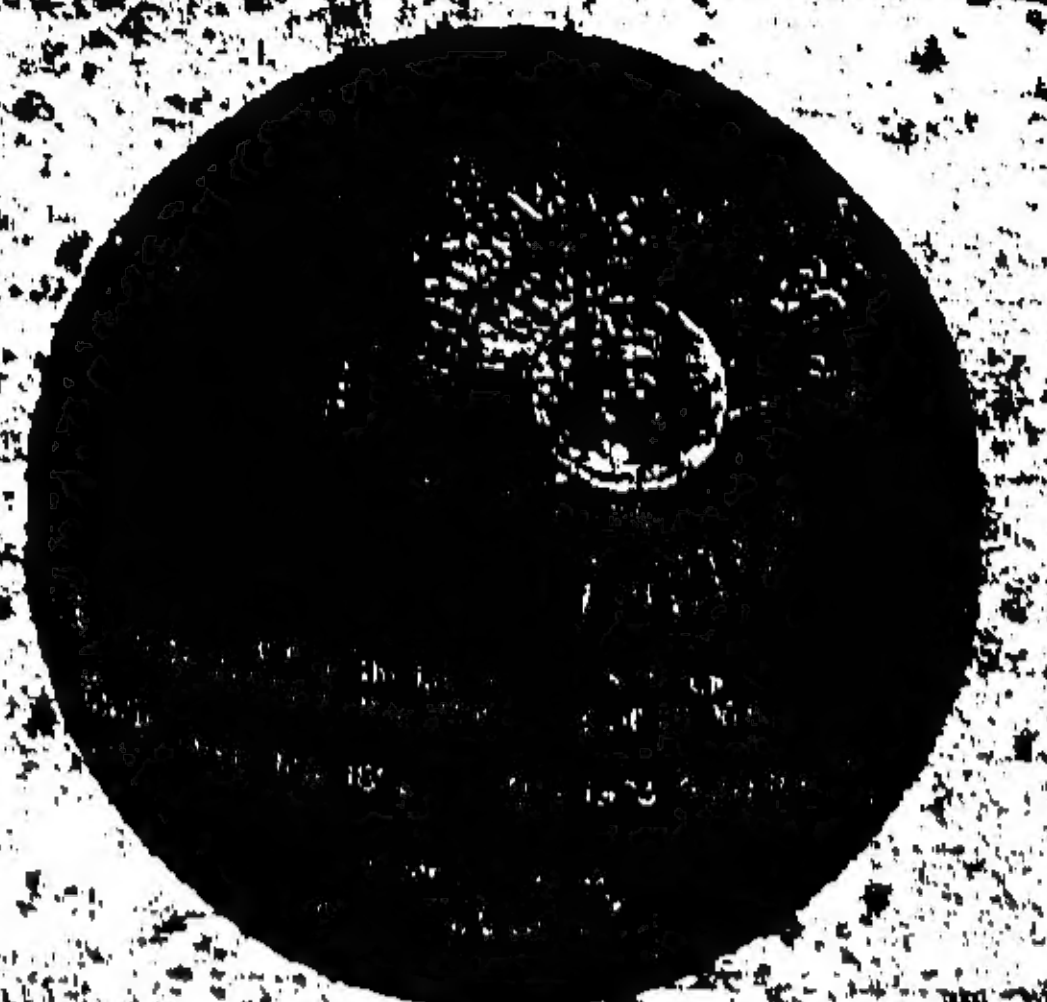
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## KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

## YESTERDAY'S MEETING.

The annual meeting of members of the Kowloon Cricket Club was held last evening at the Club premises. Mr. R. E. Landall (Vice-President) took the chair, and was supported by Mr. J. P. Robinson (Honorary Secretary) and Mr. E. Abraham (Hon. Treasurer).

The annual report showed a profit on the Club's working for last year of \$1,735.85, which, it stated, was very satisfactory indeed taking into consideration the unusual expenditure in connection with the M. Homes amounting to \$524.80. The report continued: During the year 68 new members joined the Club, 24 resigned or were struck off, and 7 deaths were reported, leaving us a total membership of 385 against 393 on 31st August, 1918. As a result of the year's work, we have to record the deaths of Messrs. W. Tulp, W. M. Messey and Lieut. J. Beardsworth also of Messrs. A. A. Fyfe, W. H. Church, E. W. Evers and H. E. Haines who died serving in the Empire's cause. The thanks of the Club are due to the Ground Committee for the care and attention paid. The Cricket pitch is in excellent condition but the outfield requires to be relevelled and reseeded, and this should be carried out immediately the cricket season closes. The Club obtained six first and five second prizes also a Challenge Cup at the last Hongkong Show whilst throughout the year the approach to the Club has been gay with flowers for which our thanks are due to Messrs. Robinson, Harvey and Spittles. The present club house is in fair condition with the exception of the roof which has been leaking badly during the heavy rains. A considerable sum of money will be required in order to put the roof in a proper state of repair. The Committee are of opinion that the club house is totally inadequate for the needs of our large membership, and recommend the speedy erection of the New Pavilion. The cricket season was enjoyable, a number of friendly matches being played as well as the League fixtures. In the League we attained this position. Several of our old players have returned from active service and the Committee hope that members will give their whole-hearted support, and introduce any new players, so that we may have a successful season in the coming year. In the Hard Courts Tennis League, carried out during the winter months we attained 2nd place, after a play-off with the Chinese Y.M.C.A. The Club entered two teams in the Senior Division of the Hongkong Tennis League, the championship of which was eventually won by the C.R.C. One team was entered in the Junior Division in which the Y.M.C.A. proved successful. The Annual Golf Tournament has again been disappointing, but the Committee hope it will be completed in the near future. The membership of the section is still much below its full complement and the Secretary will be glad to hear of members wishing to join. The Annual match between the section and the U.S.R.C. resulted in a win for the latter after an interesting game. The entries for the coming year are not yet known, and there are few competitors in the field. It is hoped that with returning members, there will be more enthusiasm in the future. The Sub-committee desire to thank the generous donors of cups. This is the initial year of the Bowls section and has proved itself very successful. The section joined the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association, and although not occupying a favourable position in the League table yet many enjoyable afternoons have been spent by the members of the Club and given a good Bowling Green this section should prove a source of revenue to the Club. No Croquet was played during the year. The best thanks of the Club are due to the donors of the many prizes presented and promised.

The Chairman, proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, said that in the first place he knew that they would all agree with him in regarding the absence from his accustomed place at the meeting of their general President, Dr. W. C. Forsyth, the latest news of him was fairly good, but he was not likely to return to Hongkong until the end of next summer. He hoped, if as he presumed they would, they were elected Dr. Forsyth, that he would be here to take the chair at the next annual meeting. Turning to the

report, it was very satisfactory to find that the membership increased by 81 since a year ago and recently they had welcomed back many old and familiar faces, of those who had done their bit for the Empire. All honour to them and congratulations on their safe return. In the closing months of the war four more members gave their lives in the great cause, and their names would be added to the Club's roll of honour. Regarding the grounds he was sure they would endorse the committee's appreciation of the horticultural efforts of Messrs. Robinson, Harvey and Spittles. They had recently asked for a Government grant in aid of the development of the waste land between the old and new grounds. As regards sports generally they had had quite a successful year and he wished particularly to congratulate the Bowls section on their successful debut. It was a pity that so few of the tennis and golf players did not emulate the enthusiasm of the bowlers. With regard to the balance sheet the expenditure side showed \$8,000 more on the Bar account than last year, due to higher prices, greater consumption and the inclusion of "cheese and biscuits." Printing showed an increase of over \$200 almost entirely due to the printing of the new rules and by-laws. The Club held three At Homes, during the year at a total cost of some \$320. All three functions were highly successful and could not but have enhanced the Club's reputation for hospitality. On the Income side the Bar was again to the fore, showing an increase of receipts of more than \$8,000, but that was not surprising in view of the much greater use of the Club by members generally, the increase in membership and the return of many ardent supporters of the Club who had been on the absent members' list. They would agree that a balance \$1,735.85 of income over expenditure was extremely satisfactory. With regard to Assets and Liabilities the overdraft had been reduced by \$800. It stood at \$1,500 but against that they held \$6,000 worth of Hongkong War Loan Stock. (Applause.)

Mr. L. J. Blackburn seconding the motion was carried unanimously. A RESOLUTION OF OFFICERS. The Chairman said that before proceeding to the election of officers he thought that first of all, they should consider the question of asking Sir R. E. Stubbs to become Patron instead of Sir Henry May. He proposed that Sir Henry May having now retired they invite Sir Reginald Stubbs to be Patron. Seconded by Mr. Neilson and carried. Dr. C. Forsyth was unanimously re-elected President. The Chairman intimated that he would be leaving for home in November and would not be back until the end of 1920. Mr. A. O. Brown was accordingly elected Vice-President. Mr. J. P. Robinson was elected Captain and Mr. J. Stalker Vice-Captain. Mr. E. Abraham was re-elected Hon. Treasurer and out of three nominations Mr. L. J. Blackburn was elected Hon. Secretary. For the Committee (eight members), eighteen nominations were received. The following were elected: Messrs. D. G. Nicoll, D. Benkinson, J. M. Jack, N. Ralston, D. Harvey, J. Stalker, P. F. Skiff, A. W. B. Davidson, L. E. S. Hodge, and G. Gerard. The question of raising the subscription with a view to raising funds to erect a new pavilion was discussed. The Chairman said the present pavilion was inadequate and a new one would cost \$25,000, which would have to be raised by debentures. Interest and redemption (within 15 years) would amount to about \$2,500 per year on an average. The balance sheet for this year showed \$1,735.85, so that the pavilion was to be erected from money raised by debentures, and the "Outgoing" Committee thought could best be done by raising the subscription. The proposal was to raise the subscription from \$16 a year to \$23 a month for ordinary members, and proportionately for going members. It was not proposed to increase the entrance fee. An extraordinary general meeting would have to be held to decide the matter. It was decided to call an extraordinary general meeting to discuss the matter, the meeting committee to make proposals thereon. Mr. W. C. Forsyth thought the honorarium of the Secretary and

## MR. THOMAS'S STRANGE DISCLOSURE.

## HECKLER WHO SERVED THE GOVERNMENT.

## PAID FOR INFORMATION.

During the course of the debate on the third reading of the Consolidated Fund Bill in the House of Commons on August 12, Mr. J. H. Thomas (Lab.-Derby) asked whether the Government were going to prosecute the men who were receiving Bolshevik gold to stir up industrial unrest in England.

Mr. Bonar Law said he would gladly give what information he could, but everybody knew how difficult it was to get evidence which would justify prosecution in a court of law. A great deal of literature was being circulated of a most pernicious kind, and if the Government could get clear proof that it was of a treasonable kind they would take action.

Mr. Thomas asked for information with regard to a man named Watson. Watson during the last three years of the war persistently followed him (Mr. Thomas) about, interrupted his meetings, and did everything possible to encourage strikes. Imagine his surprise when he heard from the Government bench that this man, who was now in jail, was, through the period he was creating this agitation, being subsidised by the Government. That was the kind of thing which was causing trouble at present.

The Home Secretary (Mr. Shortt) replied that Watson gave a certain amount of definite information. He was not regularly in the pay of the Government. He volunteered certain information, and when that information was found to be correct and was acted upon he was paid for it, but not otherwise. He was not paid to follow people about. He gave certain information, but not about Mr. Thomas or anyone connected with him, but in regard to people against whom proceedings could be taken.

Mr. Thomas condemned the acting of the Government in paying persons who were causing mischief, and who were acting as spies and pretending all the time to the workers that they were stirring up strife.

The Home Secretary said he did know what Mr. Thomas was trying to get at, but if he would put down a question he would give him all the information he could.

Mr. Thomas said he would do that.

## JAPANESE TRADE AND FINANCE.

Advices from Tokyo state that Japanese imports and exports in the period January 1 to July 31 were valued at ¥1,193,000,000 and ¥1,007,000,000 respectively, as compared with ¥934,000,000 and ¥991,000,000 in an approximately corresponding period of 1918. At the end of July notes issued by the Bank of Japan amounted to ¥1,034,000,000 and advances to ¥482,000,000. In order to reduce the price of rice, the Government arranged for free transportation of rice during the whole of July. As a result, the price declined slightly to ¥37.90 per five bushels. The money market gradually recovered after the strong demand for money usual at the turn of the year, and day-to-day money was quoted at 3.65 per cent. in the middle of the month. However, this quotation rose at the end of the month to 7.67 per cent. on account of the demand for money for the Stock Exchange settlement. The high cost of living gave rise to many labour troubles, which adversely affected the stock markets. Tokyo Stock Exchange shares declined to ¥305, Nippon Yusen Kaisha shares to ¥285, and Kasebo spinning shares to ¥364. The raw silk market showed some weakness on the relaxation of demand from the United States.

Treasurer was inadequate in view of the work involved. He suggested an increase to \$500 for each officer. The Committee also were put to much trouble and he suggested a 10 per cent. reduction on their bills.

Mr. W. T. Elson, seconding the proposal, suggested that the Captain of the Club, in view of labour entailed on him, should also receive a reduction.

Finally the meeting recommended that the honorarium to the Hon. Treasurer be increased to \$350 each. Motions to allow a reduction of 10 per cent. on their bills to the Bar Committee and the Captain of the Club were lost.

The consolidated business. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Landall for his services for the Club during the past year, on the proposal of Mr. Skiff.

## OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

## EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

## No. 454.—It is hereby notified that

His Excellency Sir Reginald Edward Stubbs, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, having arrived in the Colony, the prescribed oaths of office were this day duly administered to His Excellency by His Honour the Chief Justice in the presence of the Executive Council, and that His Excellency thereupon assumed the administration of the Government in virtue of His Majesty's Commission dated at Saint James's the 16th day of June, 1919.

A. G. M. FLAHERTY, Clerk of Councils.

September 30, 1919.

## APPOINTMENTS, &amp;c.

No. 453.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Captain John Esquire Warner, 2nd Battalion, Princess Charlotte of Wales (Royal Berkshire Regiment), to be his Private Secretary, with effect from this date.

September 30, 1919.

No. 456.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Captain Henry Scott McGrath, 2nd Dragoon Guards (Queen's Bays), to be his Aide-de-Camp, with effect from this date.

September 30, 1919.

## NOTICES.

Colonial Secretary's Department. No. 457.—The following Commission is published for general information.

CLAUDE SEVERN, Colonial Secretary.

September 30, 1919.

## HONGKONG.

Commission passed under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet, appointing Sir Reginald Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G., to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies.

GEORGE R.I.

George the Fifth, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India: To Our Trusty and Well-beloved Sir Reginald Edward Stubbs, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Greeting.

We do, by this Our Commission under Our Sign Manual and Signet, appoint you, the said Sir Reginald Edward Stubbs, to be, during Our pleasure, Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, with all the powers, rights, privileges, and advantages to the said Office belonging or appertaining.

II. And We do hereby authorise, empower, and command you to exercise and perform all and singular the powers and directions contained in certain Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, constituting the Office of Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Our said Colony and its Dependencies, bearing date at Westminster the Fourteenth day of February, 1917, or in any other Letters Patent adding to, amending, or substituting for the same according to such Orders and Instructions as Our said Governor and Commander-in-Chief for the time being hath already received, and to such further Orders and Instructions as you may hereafter receive from Us.

III. And further, We do hereby appoint that, so soon as you shall have taken the prescribed Oaths and have entered upon the duties of your Office, this Our present Commission shall supersede Our Commission under Our Sign Manual and Signet, bearing date the Ninth day of March, 1912, appointing Our Trusty and Well-beloved Sir Fitzroy Henry May, Knight Commander (now Knight Grand Cross) of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, to be Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Our said Colony and its Dependencies.

IV. And We do hereby command all and singular Our Officers, Ministers, and loving subjects in Our said Colony and its Dependencies, and

all others whom it may concern, to take due notice hereof, and to give their ready obedience accordingly.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's, this 16th day of June, 1919, in the Tenth year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command, MILNER.

Commission appointing Sir Reginald Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G., to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Hongkong.

## LOCAL WEDDING.

## HUTCHISON-JUPP.

A wedding in which great public interest was taken was solemnised at St. John's Cathedral, yesterday afternoon, the contracting parties being Mr. Robert Oliphant Hutchison, of the Hongkong Civil Service, eldest son of Mr. H. W. Hutchison, J.P., and Miss Rose Glenheim Jupp, youngest daughter of the late Mr. Joseph Jupp and of Mrs. Jupp, of Brighton, Framham, Surrey.

The Church was tastefully decorated for the occasion with pot palms, ferns and arm lilies. The Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle officiated at the service which was fully choral. The bride was given away by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Captain Superintendent of Police, and had as her maids of honour the little Misses Marion Wolfe and Anstley Hallifax. Mr. G. S. Archbutt acted as "best man." After the signing of the Register the newly-married couple left the Church to the strains of Mendelssohn's "Wedding March," played on the organ by Mr. J. W. White. Several photographs of the wedding group were taken outside the Church door, after which those present repaired to the Hongkong Hotel, where Mrs. Wolfe did the honours. H.E. the Officer Administering the Government proposed the toast of the bride and bridegroom in a happy little speech, of which Mr. Hutchison made suitable acknowledgment.

The bride's gown was of cream tulle, with pearl trimmings. The embroidered Brussels veil which surmounted the customary wreath of orange blossoms belonged to her mother. The bridal bouquet was composed of white roses. The going-away costume was of pink tulle with hat to match. The maids-of-honour were dressed in cream net with mob caps, and they carried baskets of roses.

Amongst those at the reception were H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher and Mrs. Fletcher, Sir William Rees-Davies, K.C., and Lady Rees-Davies, Sir Robert Ho Tung, the Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G., Mr. Justice Melbourn, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax and Mrs. Hallifax, the Hon. C. G. Alabaster, the Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer, the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell and Mrs. Dodwell, the Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr, the Hon. Mr. Lau Chupak, the Hon. Mr. Ho Fook, Mr. H. W. Bird, Dr. C. W. McKenny and Mrs. McKenny, Mr. S. E. C. Ross, Captain and Mrs. E. Taylor, Mr. T. L. Perkins, Mr. H. A. Nesbit, Mr. C. C. Thorne, Mr. S. B. McDermott, Mr. H. P. Smith, Mr. G. Hastings, Mr. C. D. Wilkinson, the Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Smith, Dr. Aubrey, Mrs. N. J. Stabb, Mr. H. Hancock, Mr. Ho Kwong and many others.

The presents included a silver table service and fruit dish from the staff of the Imports and Exports Department. The wedding cake was supplied by Wisemann, Ltd.

## ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT.

## AN ACCOUNTANT CHARGED.

At the Magistracy this afternoon before Mr. N. L. Smith, Chin Yeung Tim, accountant in the Sin Cheung Yuen firm at No. 91 Shanghai Street, was charged with embezzling the sum of \$624.22 the property of the firm.

Mr. M. K. Lo appearing for the prosecution said that when defendant was arrested he admitted to the Police that he did receive money on behalf of his firm, and that he had converted the money to his own use, which arose through an opium transaction with his friend Lai Fo.

Defendant, who was charged on eight counts, admitted the using of the money.

The case was proceeding as we went to press.

all others whom it may concern, to take due notice hereof, and to give their ready obedience accordingly.

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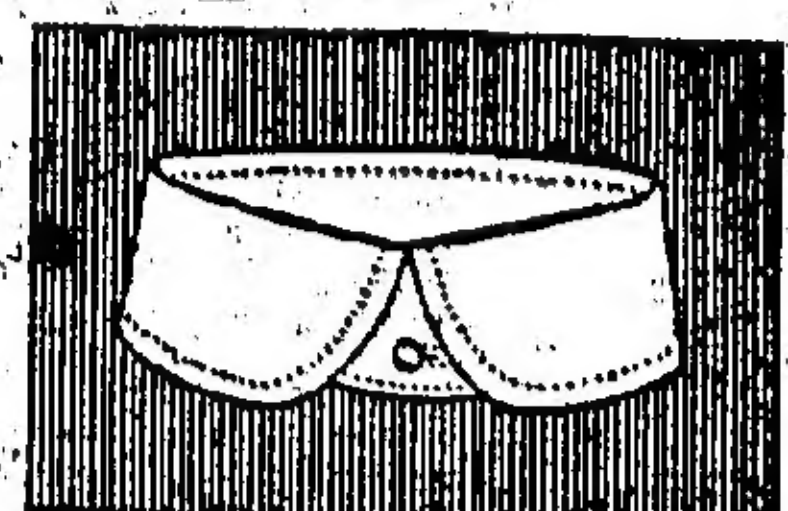
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## CORRESPONDENCE.

## THE NEW GOVERNOR.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

DEAR SIR,—It is desirable that His Excellency the new Governor should be acquainted at once with the real public opinion of the Colony, and given some idea of the work that is most urgent, and awaiting his attention.

None is so important, so urgently in need of his attention, and action, as the rotten state of our housing for the comparatively small European population. For heaven's sake don't let him take his advice on this matter from those handing him the address, those who run the land and building companies and who have failed lamentably to do anything for the average European. He has arrived when matters in this respect could hardly be worse. There isn't a single house to let at a decent rent in the Colony if at all. Read this: two-roomed flat with the disadvantage of living in Kowloon thrown in, \$78 Mex. per month! Please, work it out. God help those with a fair sized family. I am speaking as a worker for workers and not of taxpayers.

His Excellency will doubtless soon learn that it is contemplated building an hotel at Kowloon. Contemplated mark you, and he will no doubt realise how long it takes to build and equip an hotel. Nerve-fiddling etc., seems rather apt here.

May I ask you to urge upon him the advisability of building a hundred or more houses or flats without delay. A hundred won't be noticed. But please don't let him build them too far away. As far as possible keep us out of the hands of the Philistines. Whisper in his ear that vested interests in this Colony are powerful. They have had us badly beaten, too long. We long to see what the new Governor can do. Tell him the hotel scheme should come second. Do build those houses or flats first. There are about 30 civilian families living temporarily in Military quarters. There are families of four and five pigging it in one room in the small hotels. It isn't healthy, comfortable or decent, or becoming the so-called prestige of those bearing the white man's burden here.

There are (or were, they have given it up as a bad job now) people spending their Sundays searching Kowloon and the Caine and Robinson Roads to see if an empty house exists.

Writing of Caine and Robinson Roads reminds me that there is a legend that these are European reservations. I'm not sure. Mr. Chatham can tell. If there is an ordinance or a law of any sort to confirm this what will H.E. do about it? Because whatever these roads are legally, or theoretically, they are actually inhabited almost entirely by Asians. Not much use of them being European reservations on paper is it? Perhaps H. E. will look into this. Tell him to remember the Military Authorities may have to turn those families out any day.

In conclusion, I'm sure with His Excellency's Ceylon experience, particularly of Ramanathan and Co., he won't take at much premium the honeyed words and oily smiles of all those who were in the front rows at the City Hall. The average European is banking on H.E. to a considerable

extent, well as on the China Mail. Let them not be disappointed. Populi, vox Dei.

Yours respectfully,

CITIZEN.

Hongkong, Sept. 30, 1919.

## PENSIONS AND THE HIGH DOLLAR.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

SIR,—Without doubt it is iniquitous paying an ex-Serviceman his small and over-earned pension at anything over 2/- to the dollar, and to pay it at 4/- or over leaves one speechless.

I should like to suggest that all pensioners (civilians) hold a private meeting and frame a protest to the Governor who will realise the injustice involved.

It may be news to some that despite increases by the Home Government here, there and everywhere, war bonuses, etc., there has been no increase of pensions during the war or since.

Could we possibly ask Military Headquarters if they are moving in this matter?

Yours, etc.,

DISCHARGED AND DISREGARDED.

Hongkong, Sept. 30, 1919.

## THE BRITISH MEDALS FOR HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

SIR—The services of the Hongkong Defence Corps during the war have favourable comparison with the services rendered by regulars on garrison duty. Admitted the service was part-time and all in Hongkong but it was efficient, it served its purpose and was cheap to the Imperial Government.

It appears that all regular soldiers and sailors who have served here during the war will get the British War Medal notwithstanding quite a number of the military have been, like the Hongkong Defence Corps, in Hongkong during the whole period of the war. It is possible that the Dockyard Defence Corps will get the medal.

Yours faithfully,

Ex. A. E.

Hongkong, Sept. 30, 1919.

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## THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in reservoirs on the 1st September, 1919.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS	LEVEL.	1918.	1919.
Tyran Level with overflow	Do.	101.5	101.5
Tyran Intermediate (No)	Do.	101.5	101.5
Tyran Top	Do.	101.5	101.5
Wang Nai Chang, 11 ft. below overflow	Do.	101.5	101.5
Polkline, 17 ft. below overflow	Do.	101.5	101.5
Polkline, 17 ft. below overflow	Do.	101.5	101.5

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of August.

1918.	1919.	1918.	1919.
Consumption	30.5	30.5	30.5
Estimated population	1,100,000	1,100,000	1,100,000
Consumption per head	27.7	27.7	27.7
per day	10.0	10.0	10.0

Constant supply in all districts during August of both 1918 and 1919.

## KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

1918.	1919.	1918.	1919.
Consumption	30.5	30.5	30.5
Estimated population	1,100,000	1,100,000	1,100,000
Consumption per head	27.7	27.7	27.7
per day	10.0	10.0	10.0

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of August.

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The Government Analyst's reports show that the water is of excellent quality.

Public Works Department.  
W. CHARTERIS,  
Water Authority.



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## HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

HONGKONG, 30th SEPTEMBER, 1919.  
OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

11 A.M.

BANKS.

Hongkong Bank, ... \$670 b.

Marine Insurance, ... \$440 b.

Canton Ins., ... \$200 b.

North China Ins., ... \$250 b.

Union Ins., ... \$250 b.

Yangtze Ins., ... \$250 b.

Far Eastern, ... \$250 b.

Fire Insurance, ... \$138 b.

China Fire Ins., ... \$345 b.

Hongkong Fire Ins., ... \$345 b.

Shipping, ... \$86 a. ex div.

H.K. Steamships, ... \$243 n.

Indo-China (P&O), ... \$23 n.

Do., ... \$23 n.

Star Line, ... \$180 n.

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Hongkong, September 30, 1919.

On London, ... \$4/8

On demand, ... \$4/8

On 30 days sight, ... \$4/8

On 60 days sight, ... \$4/8

On 90 days sight, ... \$4/8

On 120 days sight, ... \$4/8

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On 180 days sight, ... \$4/8

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On 1890 days sight, ... \$4/8

On 1920 days sight, ... \$4/8

On 1950 days sight, ... \$4/8

On 1980 days sight, ... \$4/8

On 2010 days sight, ... \$4/8

On 2040 days sight, ... \$4/8

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